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Town Officers, 1955-56

Moderator

RAY E. HAMLIN

Town Clerk

ROBERT E. GLOVER

Selectmen

R. NEAL COATES

CLAYSON I. GLOVER

HENRY H. HOLT

Treasurer

ERNEST P. GOUD

Tax Collector

RAY E. HAMLIN

Constable

MAURICE A. WOODWARD

Auditor

RACHEL E. HOLT

Fire Warden

CLAYSON I. GLOVER

Library Trustees

FLORENCE HAMLIN

ERNEST P. GOUD

PHILLIS HART

Road Agent

OWEN R. HAWKINS

Trustees of Trust Funds

FLORENCE HAMLIN

GERALD H. SIAS

Warrant

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Dummer in the (L. S.) County of Coos in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

Your are hereby notified to meet at the Willis School House in said Dummer on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next at nine-thirty of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repair of highways and bridges.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for snow removal.
5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for general expense of Highway Department.
6. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for cutting bushes along town roads.
7. To see if the town will vote to accept T. R. A. and make appropriations for the same.
8. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of Town Poor.
9. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of Old Age Assistance.
10. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for maintenance of cemeteries.
11. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of town libraries.
12. To see if the Town will vote to give discount on taxes.
13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sum of money for the White Mountains Region Association.

14. To see if the Town will vote to give the Selectmen the right to hire money in anticipation of taxes, and to renew notes.
 15. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for Civil Defense.
 16. To see what action the Town will take regarding new equipment for Highway Department and make appropriation for same.
 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell parts of the Magill Farm.
 18. To see if the town will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the Town the benefits of title II of the Federal Social Security Act (Old Age and Survivor's Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes Annotated Amended by Chapters 301 and 332 of the Laws of 1955 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to defray the town's share of the cost thereof.
 19. If a plan for Social Security coverage is adopted, to see if the town will authorize the selectmen to execute on behalf of the town the necessary agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan and to see if the town will designate the Board of Selectmen as the officer to be responsible for the administration of the plan.
 20. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting and make appropriations relating thereto.
- Given under our hands and seal, this fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

R. NEAL COATES,
CLAYSON I. GLOVER,
HENRY H. HOLT,
Selectmen of Dummer.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

R. NEAL COATES,
CLAYSON I. GLOVER,
HENRY H. HOLT,
Selectmen of Dummer.

Condensed Report

	Actual 1955	Estimated 1956
Town Charges	\$ 2,129.80	\$ 2,500.00
Highways and Bridges (Summer).....	1,803.93	1,800.00
Snow removal	2,837.83	2,500.00
General Expense of Highway Department....	1,284.84	1,500.00
Bush Cutting	166.62	200.00
Town Road Aid	none	148.59
Town Poor	337.45	500.00
Old Age Assistance.....	439.44	1,000.00
Cemeteries	291.61	200.00
Libraries	69.21	75.00
White Mountains Region Association.....	63.06	63.06
White Pine Blister Rust.....	none	100.00

Report of Selectmen

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY, 1955

Lands and Buildings.....	\$218,099.00
Electric Plants	150,000.00
Horses, Asses and Mules (10).....	325.00
Cows, 171	14,670.00
Neat Stock, 13.....	820.00
Sheep and Goats 5.....	70.00
Hogs, 1	30.00
Fowls, 1,000	850.00
Vehicles, 2	1,000.00
Portable Mills, 2	4,100.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.....	144,643.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 6.....	510.00
Stock in Trade.....	500.00
Dams and Piers.....	1,100.00

Total Gross Valuation before exemptions allowed	\$536,717.00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions.....	4,645.00

Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed \$532,072.00

Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed

Town Charges	\$ 2,000.00
Town Road Aid	148.62
Town Road Maintenance, Summer.....	1,800.00
Town Road Maintenance, Winter.....	1,800.00
Bush Cutting, Town Roads.....	200.00
New Construction, Roads.....	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance.....	300.00
Libraries	75.00
Town Poor	500.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Advertising and Regional Association.....	63.06
County Tax	1,851.18
School Tax	15,903.00

Total Town and School Appropriations.... \$ 25,840.86

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Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Reimbursement on Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	\$ 2,331.85
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees.....	834.33
Dog Licenses	70.00
Business Licenses and Permits.....	3.50
Interest on Taxes and Income from Trust Funds	96.90
Total Revenues and Credits.....	\$ 3,342.25
Plus Overlay	\$ 22,498.61
	176.83
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation.....	\$ 22,675.44
Less: Number 111 of Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	222.00
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$ 22,453.44
Tax Rate \$4.22 per \$100 Valuation	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Assets

Cash in hands of Treasurer.....	\$ 5,293.72
Unredeemed Taxes, levy 1954.....	70.96
Unredeemed Taxes, levy 1953.....	16.96
Uncollected Taxes, levy 1955.....	2,785.80
Uncollected Taxes, levy 1954.....	136.08
Uncollected Yield Taxes, 1955.....	997.80
State Head Taxes, 1955.....	175.00
Total Assets	\$ 9,476.32
Excess of Liabilities over Assets.....	3,643.58
Grand Total	\$ 13,119.90

Liabilities

Uncollected Head Tax, 1955.....	\$ 175.00
Due School District, Bal. 1955 Appropriation	8,903.00
Outstanding Temporary Loans.....	3,000.00
D. T. Wentworth Estate.....	91.90

Special Appropriations not used:

West Dummer Cemetery.....	500.00
West Dummer Garage.....	300.00
New School Spreader.....	150.00
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	\$ 13,119.90
Grand Total	\$ 13,119.90

Receipts

Property taxes collected during year.....	\$ 19,565.31
Poll Taxes, collected during year.....	146.00
Yield tax collected during year.....	513.14
State head tax collected during year.....	410.00
Property taxes and yield taxes, previous years	2,388.01
Poll taxes, previous years.....	74.00
State head taxes, previous years.....	160.00
Interest received on taxes.....	115.92
Penalties on State head taxes.....	16.50
Tax sales redeemed.....	119.52
From State:	
For Town Road Aid.....	990.77
Railroad tax	5.70
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber.....	820.91
Fighting forest fires.....	20.12
Bounties	177.50
From County:	
From Probation Officer (reimbursement)....	244.00
From local sources, except taxes:	
Dog licenses	49.00
Rent of town property.....	72.65
Motor vehicle permits	878.19
Receipts other than current revenue:	
Temporary loans	13,000.00
Refunds	16.00
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Total receipts from all sources.....	\$ 41,163.11
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Grand Total	\$ 41,163.11

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Payments

Town officers' salaries.....	\$ 1,236.02
Town officers' expenses.....	632.26
Election and registration.....	20.50
Police department	16.00
Forest fires	23.50
Bounties	40.00
Insurance	184.47
Vital statistics	6.00
Town roads, summer.....	1,803.93
Town roads, winter.....	2,837.83
Town roads, bush cutting.....	166.62
General expense of highway department.....	1,284.84
Libraries	69.21
Old age assistance.....	439.44
Town poor	337.45
Cemeteries	291.61
Bank service charges	11.05
Advertising and regional association, 1954.....	58.00
Advertising and regional association, 1955.....	63.06
Taxes bought by town	70.96
Withholding tax	123.40
Interest on temporary loans	150.00
Payments on loans in anticipation of taxes.....	10,000.00
State Head taxes paid to State Treasurer.....	445.06
County tax, 1955.....	1,851.18
Payments to school district bal., 1954 appro.....	6,707.00
Payments to school district, 1955 appro.....	7,000.00
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Total payments for all purposes.....	\$ 35,869.39
Cash on hand December 31, 1955.....	5,293.72
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Grand Total	\$ 41,163.11

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

R. NEAL COATES,
CLAYSON I. GLOVER,
HENRY H. HOLT,

Selectmen of Dummer

Report of Town Treasurer

RECEIPTS

1955

Jan.		Balance in Treasury	\$ 1,379.87
Feb.	2	From State of N. H., State's share (1/2) forest fires.....	13.37
		From State of N. H., State's share (1/2) warden's train.	6.75
	7	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop. \$	3.12
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, yield.....	59.44
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest.....	.25
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, '53 redemp.	80.00
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			142.81
		R. Nicolleti, refund on check No. 1656	16.00
	14	Ray E. Hamlin, taxes 1954 reg. polls \$	4.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	37.75
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest.....	.56
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	10.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, penalties	1.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1953 prop.	41.58
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	2.87
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			97.76
	17	Berlin City National Bank, loan	1,000.00
Mar.	2	Town of Stark, plowing Forbush Road	18.75
	16	Berlin City National Bank, loan.....	2,000.00
	22	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes, 1954 regular polls.....\$	14.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property	516.90
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, yield.....	32.57
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	5.46
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	25.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, penalties....	1.50
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1953 prop.	56.56
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	29.19
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			681.18

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	31	Robert Glover, town clerk, auto per.	553.94
Apr.	2	State of N. H., bounty on bear (15)....	75.00
		State of N. H., b. on porcupine (123)	61.50
	6	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes	
		1954 regular polls	\$ 16.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property	147.26
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, '53 redemp.	39.52
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	2.83
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	50.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, penalties....	4.50
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			260.11
May	4	Berlin City National Bank, loan.....	2,000.00
	30	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,	
		1954 regular polls	\$ 26.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property	75.50
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	1.62
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	70.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, penalties	7.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,	
		1953 regular polls	4.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property	80.68
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	3.30
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	5.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, penalty....	.50
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			273.60
June	1	Jerome Witham, tar.....	20.90
	15	Berlin City National Bank, loan.....	5,000.00
July	16	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop. \$	50.00
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1953 prop.	32.13
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	3.02
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			85.15
	19	State of New Hampshire.....	990.77
Aug.	9	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop. \$	313.56
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	10.97
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			324.53
	30	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop. \$	48.83
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes interest....	2.16
		Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1953 prop.	190.13

	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	19.00	
			260.12
Sept. 7	State of N. H., bounties on porcupines		41.00
13	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1955 regular polls	\$ 32.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	876.48	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	95.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1954 regular polls.....	2.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	69.18	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, yield.....	1.41	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	5.35	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1953 prop.	41.78	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	.82	
			1,124.02
20	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1955 regular polls.....	\$ 2.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	6,473.58	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	5.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1954 regular polls	4.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	41.18	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	1.44	
			6,527.20
28	State of N. H., Probation Department,		
	Joseph Gagnon a/c		244.00
	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1955 regular polls.....	\$ 8.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	7,521.11	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	25.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop.	150.08	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, yield	5.04	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	7.66	
			7,716.89
Oct. 17	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1955 regular polls	\$ 20.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	1,123.57	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	50.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop.	144.40	

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	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	6.96	
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			1,344.93
	19 State of N. H., use of truck.....		33.00
Nov. 23	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1955 regular polls	\$ 23.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	689.99	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head	60.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop.	156.24	
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			929.23
Dec. 14	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1955 regular polls	\$ 51.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property....	2,852.73	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	145.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop.	70.90	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, interest....	12.46	
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			3,132.09
	15 Berlin City National Bank, loan		3,000.00
31	Robert E. Glover, town clerk,		
	auto permits	\$ 324.25	
	dog licenses	49.00	
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			373.25
	State Treasurer, railroad tax.....		5.70
1956			
Jan. 3	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1955 regular polls	\$ 10.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, property	27.85	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, yield.....	513.14	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, head.....	30.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, penalties....	2.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, 1954 prop.	14.99	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, yield	5.60	
	Ray E. Hamlin, collector of taxes,		
	1953 regular polls.....	4.00	
	Ray E. Hamlin, coll. taxes, yield.....	1.20	
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			608.78
	10 State of N. H., reimburse. yield tax....		820.91
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	Total Receipts including balance.....		\$ 41,163.11

PAYMENTS**By Order of Selectmen**

	1955	Check No.	To Whom	Amount
Jan.	12	1677	Owen Hawkins, snow.....	\$ 55.60
		1678	Chas. Hawkins, snow; labor \$70.80, tax withheld \$10.50	60.30
		1679	Shirl Potter, snow; labor \$13.20, tax .10	13.10
		1680	Huot's Market, Jos. Gagnon a/c.....	12.00
		1681	Brown & Saltmarsh, payroll sheets.....	6.51
		1682	Cole's Store, light bulbs.....	2.80
		1683	Eagle Oil Co., Jos. Gagnon a/c.....	15.87
		1684	L. A. Campbell, general expenses.....	70.00
	19	1685	C. N. Hodgdon Company.....	3.65
		1686	Farm Bureau Ins. Co., ins. White truck	31.25
		1687	City Distributing Company, gasoline.....	92.34
		1688	Huot's Market, Jos. Gagnon a/c.....	12.00
		1689	Ellsworth Blake, snow removal; tractor \$52.50, truck \$12.00, 2 men \$12.00.....	76.50
		1690	Owen Hawkins, snow.....	23.80
		1691	T. N. Taylor, post. stamps (Henry Holt)	9.00
	26	1692	State of New Hampshire, O. A. A.....	17.50
		1694	Owen Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$44.40, tax withheld \$5.70.....	38.70
Feb.	2	1696	Chas. Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$61.20, tax withheld \$8.70.....	52.50
		1697	Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	73.10
		1698	R. Neal Coates, serv. \$32.40, exp. \$13.30	45.70
		1699	Clayson Glover, services.....	10.00
		1700	Huot's Market, Jos. Gagnon a/c.....	8.79
		1701	Henry Holt, services \$53.55, exp. 96c.....	54.51
		1702	E. C. Eastman Co., Inc., check lists.....	10.50
		1703	Casellini-Venable Corp., general expense	24.32
		1704	White Mt. Region Assn., 1954 appr.....	58.00
	9	1705	St. Johnsbury Trucking Co.....	2.35
		1706	Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	19.40
		1707	Wiley's Filling Station, general expense	10.80
		1708	Rachel Holt, auditor and typing.....	15.00
		1709	L. A. Campbell, general expense.....	35.14
	16	1710	Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	138.90
		1711	Chas. Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$80.40, tax withheld \$12.30.....	68.10
		1712	Smith & Town, printing town reports.....	315.00
		1713	Berlin City National Bank, interest.....	10.00

23	1714 Charles Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$50.40, tax withheld \$6.80	43.60
	1715 Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	84.50
	1716 The City Distributing Co., general exp.	92.34
	1717 Herb Balser, general expense	4.45
	1718 W. Auto Associate Store, gen. exp., fan	5.80
	1719 C. N. Hodgdon Co., gen. exp., kero. oil	3.67
	1720 Willey's Filling Station, general expense	6.84
	Service charge at bank (February)	1.24
	Service charge at bank (January).....	1.21
Mar. 2	1721 State of New Hampshire, O. A. A.....	17.50
	1722 State of New Hampshire, snow removal	83.65
	1723 Henry H. Holt, services \$10.00, exp. 72c	10.72
	1724 R. Neal Coates, services \$10.00, exp. \$7.60	17.60
	1725 Owen Hawkins, snow removal	49.80
	1726 Ellsworth Blake, snow removal.....	176.80
	1727 Clayson Glover, services.....	10.00
9	1728 Clayson Glover, fire wardens' school.....	23.50
	1729 E. C. Bacon, general expense.....	5.50
	1730 Archie Griffin, supervisor.....	6.50
	1731 Gerald Sias, supervisor.....	14.00
	1732 N. E. News Co., library books.....	26.30
	1733 Herb Balser, general expense.....	2.50
	1734 E. C. Eastman Co., Inc., dog tags.....	4.85
	1735 Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	95.70
	1736 Chas. Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$55.20, tax withheld \$7.70.....	47.50
	1737 L. A. Campbell, general expense.....	99.37
16	1738 Chas. Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$22.80, tax withheld \$1.70.....	21.10
	1739 Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	58.50
	1740 Community Oil Co., gen. exp., kero. oil....	10.01
	1741 Berlin City National Bank, interest.....	20.00
	1742 State Treasurer, 1954 head tax.....	86.00
23	1743 State Treasurer, snow removal.....	5.78
	1744 Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	53.50
	1745 Chas. Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$25.20, tax withheld \$2.30.....	22.90
30	1746 Chas. Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$32.40; tax withheld \$3.50.....	28.90
	1747 Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	35.10
	1748 C. N. Hodgdon Co., gen. exp., kero. oil....	3.67
	1749 Henry Holt, serv. \$34.60, expense \$5.58....	40.18

		1750 State of New Hampshire, O. A. A.....	17.50
		1751 Blanche C. Goud, school appropri., 1954....	1,000.00
		1752 Clayson Glover, serv. \$45.00, exp. \$7.18...	52.18
Apr.	6	1753 Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	150.90
		1754 Chas. Hawkins, snow removal; labor \$20.40, tax withheld \$1.40.....	19.00
		1755 Haven Knox, snow removal; labor \$15.60, tax withheld 50c	15.10
		1756 Warren A. Bartlett, transfer cards.....	5.72
		1757 Ellsworth Blake, plowing \$122.50 less gas \$3.10	119.40
		1758 City Distributing Co., gasoline.....	92.34
		1759 L. A. Campbell, general expense.....	18.22
		1760 State Treasurer, snow removal.....	12.92
		1761 R. Neal Coates, services \$32.00, exp. \$6.00 Service charge at bank.....	38.00 1.15
13		1762 Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies.....	16.56
		1763 J. E. Faltin Motor Transp., Inc., trucking	4.49
		1764 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	63.10
		1765 Chas. Hawkins, road; labor \$19.20, tax withheld \$1.20	18.00
		1766 Haven Knox, road; labor \$24.00, tax \$1.90	22.10
		1767 Collector of Internal Rev., withheld tax	59.30
		1768 Blanche C. Goud, school approp. 1954....	1,000.00
20		1769 Owen Hawkins, roads \$77.60, expense to Lancaster \$6.86	84.46
		1770 Chas. Hawkins, road; labor \$21., tax \$1.40	19.60
		1771 E. C. Bacon, general expense, welding....	9.25
		1772 Ernest P. Goud, super. \$6.50, exp. \$2.50	9.00
		1773 R. J. Hazelton Co., Inc., culvert.....	35.20
		1774 The P. J. Noyes Co., Avery Howland a/c	3.00
		1775 Roy G. Hamlin, 3 officers' bonds.....	50.00
		1776 Enid Christiansen, Avery Howland a/c	60.00
27		1777 R. Neal Coates, serv. \$34.70, exp. \$11.50	46.20
		1778 O. S. Holt & Son, roads, 3-in plank	105.22
		1779 Henry Holt, services \$46.40, expenses \$4.99, general expense \$2.52	53.91
		1780 Clayson Glover, services.....	43.75
		1781 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	132.50
		1782 Haven Knox, roads, labor \$26.40, tax \$2.50	23.90
		Bank service charge.....	1.64
May	4	1783 State of New Hampshire, O. A. A.....	17.50
		1784 L. A. Campbell, White truck (gen. exp.)	200.51

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	1785 Berlin City National Bank, interest.....	20.00
	1786 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	127.36
	1787 Chas. Hawkins, snow; labor \$30., tax \$3.	27.00
	1788 Shirl Potter, snow; labor \$19.20, tax \$1.20	18.00
	1789 Ira Hawkins, snow.....	22.80
	1790 Henry Holt	24.00
	1791 Haven Knox, snow; labor \$20.40, tax \$1.40	19.00
11	1792 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	74.90
	1793 Haven Knox, roads; labor \$36., tax \$4.10	31.90
	1795 Alvin Howland, roads.....	20.40
18	1796 Lancaster Hospital Assn., A. Howland....	16.60
	1797 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	22.40
25	1798 Blanche C. Goud, school approp., 1954 ...	1,000.00
	1799 Curtis Hardware Store, general expense	6.03
	1800 Henry Holt, services \$10.00, expense 50c, bounties \$7.00	17.50
	1801 State Treasurer, paint patch	20.91
	1802 Clayson Glover, serv. \$10., bounties \$17.50	27.50
	Service Charge at Bank.....	2.59
June 1	1803 D. L. Garrison, Auto and Truck Guide.....	8.00
	1804 R. Neal Coates, services \$10.00, expense \$7.60, bounties \$3.00.....	20.60
	1905 E. C. Bacon, general expense.....	29.20
	1806 State Treasurer, old age assistance.....	28.56
	1807 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	23.40
	1808 C. Hawkins, roads; labor \$21.60, tax \$1.60	20.00
8	1809 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	37.50
	1810 Henry A. St. Laurent, dynamite, caps....	26.75
	1811 Ida M. Horner, dues tax collector assn....	3.00
	1812 L. A. Campbell, general expense.....	13.75
	1813 State Treasurer, balance head tax, 1954, less discount \$90.56, warrant B. \$45.00, penalties \$12.00	147.56
15	1814 Berlin City National Bank, interest on notes renewal \$10.00, new note \$50.00.....	60.00
	1815 Blanche C. Goud, bal. of 1954 approp.	3,707.00
29	1816 Henry H. Holt, services \$28.10, exp. \$1.76	29.86
	1817 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	34.50
	1818 Clayson Glover, services \$30.00, expense \$5.77, bounties \$10.00.....	45.77
	1819 R. Neal Coates, services \$20.40, exp. \$7.60	28.00
	Service charge at bank.....	1.25

July	6	1820 Blanche C. Goud, school appropri., 1955....	500.00
		1821 The N. E. News Co., library books	18.61
		1822 L. A. Campbell, general expense.....	8.77
		1823 Crescent Motors, Inc.....	87.58
		1824 State Treasurer, old age assistance.....	37.13
		1825 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	26.00
	13	1826 Collector of Internal Revenue, with. tax	20.20
		1827 Berlin City National Bank, int. on note	20.00
	19	1828 David Cleasby, M. D., Avery Howland....	21.00
		1829 Farm Bureau Mut. Ins. Co., White truck	31.25
Aug.	3	1830 Gerald Sias, mowing cemetery	30.00
		1831 State Treasurer, old age assistance.....	43.88
		1832 Alvin Howland, mowing cemetery.....	49.93
		Service charge at bank75
		1833 Public Service Co., Jos. Gagnon a/c.....	5.01
		1834 City Distributing Co., gasoline.....	91.13
		1835 Henry Holt, services \$7.50, expense 48c, bounties \$2.50	10.48
		1836 Clayson Glover, services \$7.50, exp. 34c	7.84
		1837 R. Neal Coates, services \$10.00, exp. \$7.60	17.60
		1838 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	39.20
		1839 Blanche C. Goud, school appropri., 1955....	500.00
	24	1840 R. G. Crowell, ins. volunteer fire depart.	85.00
		1841 State Treasurer	7.50
		1843 Durward Jewett, roads.....	54.00
	31	1844 Henry Holt, services	17.70
		1845 R. Neal Coates, services \$12.50, exp. \$9.50	22.00
		1846 Gerald Sias, painting cemetery fence.....	93.20
		1847 Clayson Glover, services.....	18.75
Sept.	8	1848 Henry Holt, bush cutting \$39.60, tax \$2.50	37.10
		1849 Roy Sias, bush cutting \$34.80, tax \$1.60	33.20
		1850 Archie Griffin, bush cutting	24.00
		1851 Tankard & Johnson, tractor mowing bushes, 22 hours @ \$2.00	44.00
		1852 State Treasurer, old age assistance.....	43.88
		1853 Berlin City National Bank, interest.....	5.00
		1854 Robert E. Glover, paint for cemetery	118.48
	14	1855 Ray E. Hamlin, collecting taxes.....	30.96
		1856 Blanche C. Goud, school appropri., 1955....	1,000.00
	21	1857 C. Hawkins, road labor \$19.20, tax \$1.20	18.00
		1858 State Treas., bushes \$28.32, roads \$10.46	38.78
		1859 Chas. Hawkins, road labor \$14.40, tax 30c	14.10

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

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		1860 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	56.80
		1861 Roland Nicolleli, Jos. Gagnon, rent.....	16.00
		1862 Huot's Market, Jos. Gagnon	40.00
28		1863 R. Neal Coates, services \$25.60, exp. \$10.50	36.10
		1864 State Treasurer, old age assistance.....	49.86
		1865 C. I. Glover, services \$23.00, exp. \$1.19....	24.19
		1866 C. N. Hodgdon Co., gen. exp., kero. oil....	2.81
		1867 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	54.40
		1868 C. Hawkins, snow labor \$27.60, tax \$2.60	25.00
		1869 Ira Hawkins, snow labor \$26.40, tax 20c	26.20
Oct.	5	1870 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	10.40
		1871 C. Hawkins, roads labor \$19.20, tax \$1.20	18.00
	5	1872 Berlin City National Bank, note.....	2,000.00
		1873 Chas. R. Hardy, town clerk's assn.....	2.00
		1874 Henry Holt, services \$25.60, exp. \$1.68....	27.28
		1875 Leland Campbell, general expense.....	25.98
		1876 State Treasurer, snow	38.78
12		1877 Berlin City National Bank, notes.....	6,000.00
		1878 Blanche C. Goud, school appropri., 1955....	5,000.00
		1879 David Cleasby, M. D., services to Haven Knox	8.00
		1880 Central Petroleum, oil	38.99
		1881 Ray E. Hamlin, taxes bought by town Charles Hawkins	\$ 55.29
		Everett and Lena Dugas.....	6.93
		Lester Mitchell	8.74
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			70.96
19		1882 Rachel Holt, library book.....	3.65
		1883 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	35.10
		1884 C. Hawkins, road labor \$25.20, tax \$2.30	22.90
		1887 Collector of Internal Rev., withheld tax	4.70
26		1885 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	34.80
		1886 C. Hawkins, road labor \$25.20, tax \$2.30	22.90
Nov.	2	1888 Owen Hawkins, roads.....	47.10
		1889 C. Hawkins, road labor \$32.40, tax \$3.50	28.90
		1890 Ira Hawkins, road labor \$32.40, tax 1.20	31.20
		1891 Archie Griffin, labor \$28.80, tax 50c.....	28.30
		1892 Henry A. St. Laurent, dynamite, caps....	27.50
		1893 State Treasurer, old age assistance.....	43.88
		1894 The N. E. News Co., library books.....	11.57
		1895 The Berlin Publishing Co., 1,000 printed envelopes	12.53

	1896 Henry Holt, services \$11.95, exp. 40c.....	12.35
	1897 Clayson Glover, services	10.00
	1898 R. Neal Coates, services \$13.90, exp. \$8.80	22.70
	1899 Robert E. Glover, general expense.....	11.64
9	1900 Berlin City National Bank, note.....	2,000.00
	1901 Balser's Garage, general expense.....	3.15
	1902 L. A. Campbell, general expense	22.14
	1903 Enid Christianson, Haven Knox	119.18
	1904 Archie Griffin, road labor \$33.60, tax \$1.40	32.20
	1905 Owen Hawkins, snow \$24, roads \$66.74 ...	90.74
	1906 Ira Hawkins, labor \$42, tax \$2.90.....	39.10
	1907 C. Hawkins, labor \$33.60, tax \$3.70.....	29.90
16	1908 Chas. Hawkins, snow fence \$24, roads \$22.80 tax \$6.10	40.70
	1909 Ira Hawkins, snow fence \$24.00, roads \$22.80, tax \$3.80	43.00
	1910 Archie Griffin, snow fence, \$28.80, tax 50c	28.30
	1911 O. Hawkins, snow fence \$58., roads \$24.70	82.70
	1912 People's Book Club, library book	2.00
25	1914 Gulf Oil Company, general expense.....	93.15
	1915 St. Johnsbury Trucking Co., roads.....	14.24
	1916 N. E. Metal Culvert Co., roads.....	113.36
	1917 Owen Hawkins, snow.....	51.10
	1918 Chas. Hawkins, snow \$16.80, tax 70c	16.10
30	1919 Owen Hawkins, snow \$72.70.....	72.70
	1920 R. Neal Coates, services, expenses.....	32.70
	1921 Daigle Motors, Inc., general expense	4.50
	1922 Clayson Glover, services.....	21.20
Dec. 7	1923 C. Hawkins, snow labor \$27.60, tax \$2.60	25.00
	1924 Owen Hawkins, snow.....	58.30
	1925 State Treasurer, old age assistance	48.25
	1926 Roy G. Hamlin, tractor insurance.....	36.97
	1927 Henry Holt, services	17.15
	1928 L. A. Campbell, general expense.....	25.08
	1929 State Treasurer, head tax less discount	211.50
	1930 Ray E. Hamlin, collecting taxes.....	265.81
14	1931 Maurice Woodward, police service.....	16.00
	1932 Owen Hawkins, snow.....	45.40
	1933 Chas. Hawkins, labor \$30.00, tax \$3.00....	27.00
	1934 Ira Hawkins, labor \$30.00, tax 70c.....	29.30
	1935 J. Arthur Sullivan, C. Treas., county tax	1,851.18
	1936 Berlin City National Bank, interest.....	15.00

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

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21	1938 C. N. Hodgdon Co., general expense.....	2.81
	1939 Horace B. Knightly, White Mt. Region Assn., appropriation	63.06
	1940 Owen Hawkins, snow	71.60
28	1941 State of New Hampshire, O. A. A.....	74.00
	1942 C. N. Hodgdon Co., general expense	2.64
	1943 Henry Holt, services.....	15.20
	1944 Riva & Stanley, general expense	9.10
	1945 Robert E. Glover, town clerk Clerk's salary \$40.00; auto permits \$63.00 vital statistics \$6.00, expenses \$5.50	114.50
	1946 N. E. News Co., library books	4.49
	1947 Ernest P. Goud, Treasurer's salary \$75.00, 1 library book \$2.59, treasurer and library expense \$18.18	95.77
	1948 R. Neal Coates, services \$10.00, exp. \$7.60	17.60
	1949 Clayson Glover, services	10.00
	1950 State Treasurer, salt	72.50
	1951 Owen Hawkins, salt	72.20
	1952 Chas. Hawkins, labor \$28.80, tax \$2.80	26.00
31	1953 Owen Hawkins, snow removal.....	27.50
	1954 Henry Holt, general expense.....	8.00
	1955 Constance Holt, librarian.....	5.00
	1956 Collector of Internal Revenue, withheld tax, fourth quarter.....	39.20
	Bank service charge.....	1.22
	 Total Payments	 \$ 35,869.39

RECAPITULATION

Balance on hand at beginning of fiscal year	\$ 1,379.87
Receipts during fiscal year	39,783.24
 Total receipts including balance.....	 \$ 41,163.11
Payments by order of Selectmen and bank service charge	 35,869.39
 Balance at end of fiscal year.....	 \$ 5,293.72

ERNEST P. GOUD,
Town Treasurer

Report of Tax Collector

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1955

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$ 22,453.40
Poll Taxes	214.00

Total Warrant	\$ 22,667.40
Yield Taxes	1,510.94
Added Taxes:	
Property	27.85
Poll Taxes	6.00

Total Debits \$ 24,212.19

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$ 19,565.31
Poll Taxes	146.00
Yield Taxes	513.14
Discounts Allowed	155.41
Abatements Allowed	44.73
	4.00

Uncollected as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	2,715.80
Poll Taxes	70.00
Yield Taxes	997.80

Total Credits \$ 24,212.19

STATE HEAD TAX

Levy of 1955

Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Warrant	\$ 595.00
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REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

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Added Taxes	15.00	
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Total Commitment	\$	610.00
Penalties Collected		2.00
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Total Debits	\$	612.00
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$	410.00
Penalties Collected		2.00
Abatements Allowed		25.00
Uncollected as per Collector's List.....		175.00
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Total Credits	\$	612.00

Levy of 1954

Uncollected as of January 1, 1955.....	\$	150.00
Added Taxes		25.00
Penalties Collected		14.00
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Total Debits	\$	189.00
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$	155.00
Penalties Collected		14.00
Abatements Allowed		20.00
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Total Credits	\$	189.00

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1954

Uncollected as of January 1, 1955:		
Property Taxes	\$	1,958.37
Poll Taxes		76.00
Added Taxes		22.28
Yield Taxes		104.06
Interest Collected		57.72
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Total Debits	\$	2,218.43
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$	1,839.89
Poll Taxes		68.00

Yield Taxes	104.06	
Interest Collected	57.72	
Abatements Allowed	12.68	
Uncollected as per Collector's List:		
Property Taxes	128.08	
Poll Taxes	8.00	
Total Credits		\$ 2,218.43

Levy of 1953

Uncollected as of January 1, 1955:

Property Taxes	\$ 446.46	
Poll Taxes	8.00	
Yield Taxes	1.20	
Interest Collected	58.20	
Total Debits		\$ 513.86
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$ 442.86	
Poll Taxes	8.00	
Yield Taxes	1.20	
Abatements Allowed	3.60	
Total Credits		\$ 513.86

STATE HEAD TAX**Levy of 1953**

Uncollected as of January 1, 1955	\$ 10.00	
Penalties Collected50	
Total Debits		\$ 10.50
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$ 10.00	
Penalties Collected50	
Total Credits		\$ 10.50

RAY E. HAMLIN,
Tax Collector

Report of Town Clerk

Received from 5 permits for registration of motor vehicles for 1954.....	\$	12.96	
Received from 121 permits for registration of motor vehicles for year 1955.....		865.23	
Total amount for 1954 and 1955.....	\$		878.19
No. of dog licenses issued during 1955:			
24 male dogs @ \$2.00.....	\$	48.00	
1 female dog		5.00	
	\$	53.00	
Less Clerk's fee of 20c each.....		5.00	
	\$	48.00	
Received from penalties.....		1.00	
			49.00
Total amount from all sources paid Treasurer	\$		927.19

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. GLOVER,

Town Clerk

Auditor's Report

The undersigned auditor of Dummer, N. H., hereby certifies that she has examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Road Agents, Tax Collector and Trustees of Trust Funds for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1955 and finds the same correctly cast and vouched.

RACHEL E. HOLT,
Auditor

Dummer, N. H., January 25, 1956

Cemetery Trust Fund Report

(D. T. Wentworth)

Principal	\$	360.80	
Interest Accumulated		68.24	
			\$ 429.04
Expenditures			3.00
Balance	\$	426.04	

In account with the City Savings Bank, Berlin, N. H.
OWEN HAWKINS,
GERALD SIAS,
FLORENCE HAMLIN,
Trustees

Dated December 31, 1955

Report of School Treasurer

Cash on hand, July 1, 1954.....	\$ 34.35
Received from Selectmen, 1954 appropriation \$	14,707.00
Received from State Lunch Program.....	138.75
Received from Simon Stahl & Sons,	
Refund on coal bill	13.32
Received from Treas. Super. Union No. 20,	
Refund, error in billing.....	60.00
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	14,911.07
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Receipts and balance.....	\$ 14,953.42
Payments by order of School Board.....	\$ 14,908.83
Service charges at bank.....	3.11
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Total Payments ..	\$ 14,911.94
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Balance at end of year, July 1, 1955.....	\$ 41.48

BLANCHE C. GOUD,
School District Treasurer

Annual School Report

March 1, 1956

OFFICERS

Moderator

RAY HAMLIN

Clerk

ROBERT GLOVER

Treasurer

BLANCHE GOUD

Auditor

THELMA SMITH

Truant Officer

ERNEST GOUD

School Nurse

GLADYS FANCY

Census

ROBERT GLOVER

School Board

MILDRED BACON

ELVIRA SIAS

RACHEL HOLT, Chairman

Term expires 1956

Term expires 1957

Term expires 1958

Superintendent of Schools

GORDON R. TATE

Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Dummer qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Willis School house in said district on the 13th day of March, 1956 at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the District will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the District the benefits of title II of the Federal Social Security Act (Old Age and Survivor's Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes

Annotated Amended by Chapters 301 and 332 of the Laws of 1955 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44.00 to defray District's share of the cost thereof.

10. If a plan for Social Security coverage is adopted, to see if the District will authorize the School Board to execute on behalf of the District the necessary agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan and to see if the District will designate the School Treasurer as the officer to be responsible for the administration of the plan.
11. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Dummer, this 15th day of February, 1956.

MILDRED BACON,
ELVIRA SIAS,
RACHEL HOLT,

School Board

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

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BUDGET FOR 1956-1957

(Compared with Budget of 1955-56 and Expenditures of 1954-55)

	Amount Spent 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Proposed Budget 1956-57
Salaries of District Officers.....	\$ 214.00	\$ 194.00	\$ 210.00*
Superintendent's Salary (Local Share).....	218.75	200.00	130.00*
Tax for State Wide Supervision.....	108.00	90.00	74.00*
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel.....	80.00	105.00	85.00*
Supplies and Expenses.....	184.58	120.00	123.24*
Salaries of Teachers and Principals.....	5,033.76	5,300.00	5,600.00
Books and Other Instructional Aids.....	118.09	100.00	125.00
Scholars' Supplies.....	135.69	100.00	125.00
Supplies and Other Expenses.....	90.32	75.00	100.00
Salaries of Janitors.....	730.00	730.00	930.00
Fuel or Heat.....	599.68	450.00	450.00
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses.....	331.27	225.00	325.00
Repairs and Replacements.....	637.20	350.00	350.00
Health Supervision.....	156.85	160.00	192.15
Transportation.....	2,712.00	3,300.00	3,000.00
Tuition.....	2,034.70	3,300.00	3,300.00
Special Activities and Special Funds.....	741.25	1,000.00	1,200.00
Retirement.....	361.66	375.00	383.40*
Insurance, Treasurer's Bonds and Expenses.....	101.60	104.00	250.00
New Equipment.....	322.54	25.00	25.00
Totals.....	\$ 14,911.94	\$ 16,303.00	\$ 16,977.79
Total School Budget.....	15,107.00	16,303.00	-
Raised by Local Taxation.....	14,707.00	15,903.00	-
Requested Appropriation, March, 1956....			\$ 16,977.79

*The starred items are required by law to be raised as determined by proper authorities. The district determines the salaries of the district officers. The supervisory union board decides the local share of the superintendent's salary and other union expenses. The district's share of the superintendent's salary for 1954-55 was \$218.75. Other towns in the union contributed as follows: Gorham, \$2,625.00; Milan, \$525.00; Randolph, \$223.00; Jefferson, \$568.25; Shelburne, \$262.50. These amounts are more than were raised for this purpose by the 1954-55 budget because of duplication of salary for Mr. Knightly for the month of May, 1955. By state regulations, he was entitled to 30 days leave which had accumulated and the union had to contribute to this cost. The state treasurer reports the amount of per capita tax. The Teachers' Retirement Board assesses the amount for teachers' retirement and the State Employees Retirement Association assesses the amount for the superintendent's retirement.

Estimated income:

State Treasurer, Noon Lunch Program, \$400.00. (This is an offset item under Special Activities and Special Funds, where the estimated expenditure is \$400.00. It has no effect whatever on the amount to be raised by taxation). Any state aid allotted or any balance remaining on June 30, 1956 will be deducted from assessment.

FINANCIAL REPORT**1954-55****Receipts**

Cash on hand, July 1, 1954.....	\$ 34.35
Current Appropriation	14,707.00
Received from State Treasurer.....	138.75
Received from Other Sources.....	73.32
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Total Receipts	\$ 14,953.42

Payments

Salaries of District Officers.....	\$ 214.00
Superintendent's Salary (Local Share).....	218.75
Tax for State Wide Supervision.....	108.00
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel....	80.00
Supplies and Expenses.....	184.58
Teachers Salaries	5,033.76
Books and Other Instructional Aids.....	118.09
Scholars' Supplies	135.69
Supplies and Other Expenses	90.32
Salaries of Janitors.....	730.00
Fuel or Heat.....	599.68
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses.....	331.27
Repairs and Replacements.....	637.20
Health Supervision	156.85
Transportation	2,712.00
Tuition	2,034.70
Special Activities and Special Funds.....	741.25
Retirement	361.66
Insurance, Treasurer's Bonds and Expenses....	101.60
New Equipment	322.54
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Total Payments for all Purposes.....	\$ 14,911.94
Cash on hand, June 30, 1955.....	41.48
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Grand Total	\$ 14,953.42

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1955**

Cash on hand, June 30, 1954.....	\$ 34.35
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$ 14,707.00
Received from State Treasurer.....	138.75
Received from Other Sources.....	73.32
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Total	\$ 14,919.07
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Total amount available for fiscal year.....	\$ 14,953.42
Less School Board Orders Paid.....	14,911.94
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1955.....	\$ 41.48

BLANCHE C. GOUD,
District Treasurer

July 1, 1955

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Dummer of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 and find them correct in all respects.

THELMA SMITH,
Auditor

July 1, 1955

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES**1954-55****SALARIES OF DISTRICT OFFICERS:**

Thema Smith, auditor.....	\$ 3.00	
Blanche C. Goud, treasurer.....	45.00	
Rachel Holt, school board salary.....	50.00	
Elvira Sias, school board salary.....	45.00	
Mildred Bacon, school board salary.....	45.00	
Robert Glover, census and clerk.....	13.00	
Ray Hamlin, moderator.....	3.00	
Ernest P. Goud, truant officer.....	10.00	
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		\$ 214.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY (Local Share):

Supervisory Union No. 20, super. salary.....	\$ 218.75	
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		218.75

TAX FOR STATE WIDE SUPERVISION:

N. H. Treasurer, per capita tax.....	\$ 108.00	
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		108.00

SALARIES OF OTHER ADMINIS. PERSONNEL:

Supervisory Union No. 20, expenses.....	\$ 80.00	
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		80.00

SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES:

Blanche C. Goud, expenses.....	\$ 13.59	
Rachel E. Holt, expenses.....	11.54	
Supervisory Union No. 20, expenses.....	130.00	
Mildred Bacon, expenses.....	3.00	
Smith & Town, envelopes.....	6.75	
Gorham School District, reimbursement.....	9.11	
Albert P. Knightly, reimbursement.....	7.48	
Berlin City National Bank, service charge.....	3.11	
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		184.58

TEACHERS' SALARIES:

Florence Hamlin, salary.....	\$ 1,947.60	
Ruth Croteau, salary.....	1,916.40	
Washington Nat'l Insurance Co., group ins.	33.50	

Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, with. tax	708.00
N. H. Teachers' Retirement Syst., retirement	403.26
Josie Corkum, substitute.....	10.00
Evira Sias, substitute.....	15.00

 5,033.76

BOOKS AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL AIDS:

Ginn & Company, books.....\$	10.12
Laidlaw Brothers, books.....	5.50
Silver Burdett Company, books.....	5.03
The MacMillan Company, books.....	14.36
A. N. Palmer Company, books.....	4.38
Scott, Foresman & Company, books.....	42.85
American Book Company, books.....	35.85

 118.09

SCHOLARS' SUPPLIES:

Houghton-Mifflin Company, workbooks.....\$	35.80
J. L. Hammett Company, supplies.....	15.32
Gledhill Bros., Inc., supplies.....	27.05
Milton Bradley Company, supplies.....	30.47
American Education Publications, magazines	16.80
American Book Company, workbooks.....	5.73
Scott, Foresman & Company, workbooks.....	4.52

 135.69

SUPPLIES AND OTHER EXPENSES:

Grolier Society, Inc., books.....\$	63.50
World Book Company, tests.....	2.96
Doubleday & Company, books.....	18.39
J. L. Hammett Company, diplomas.....	5.47

 90.32

SALARIES OF JANITORS:

Mildred Bacon, salary.....\$	300.00
Roy Sias, salary.....	430.00

 730.00

FUEL OR HEAT:

C. N. Hodgdon Company, fuel.....\$	368.63
Top Appliances, gas.....	25.00
Paris Manufacturing Company, wood.....	30.00

Pennock's Sales & Service, gas.....	23.80
Edgar Bacon, wood.....	26.00
Simon Stahl & Sons, coal.....	126.25

599.68

WATER, LIGHT, SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES:

Public Service Company of N. H., lights.....\$	239.13
Curtis Hardware Store, supplies.....	34.49
Mrs. Loraine Rivard, supplies.....	8.79
Edgar Bacon, labor.....	15.00
Mildred Bacon, janitor's supplies.....	2.16
First National Store, supplies.....	5.00
Morin's Wholesale, Inc., supplies.....	25.44
Roy Sias, supplies	1.26

331.27

REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS:

M. F. Bragdon Paint Company, supplies.....\$	19.25
Lois Hawkins, cleaning.....	58.00
Morris & Company, lumber.....	77.26
Beckley-Cardy Company, curtains.....	67.97
Edgar Bacon, labor.....	83.95
Carl Bacon, labor.....	7.00
Donald Bacon, labor.....	3.00
Mildred Bacon, cleaning.....	18.91
Dorothy Bacon, cleaning.....	8.50
Clarence Beroney, painting.....	20.75
Clifford Beroney, painting.....	20.75
Roy Sias, repairs.....	45.40
Riva & Stanley Company, repairs.....	44.18
Kenneth Clark, labor.....	28.00
Paris Manufacturing Company, replacements	11.28
Sherman Young, labor.....	12.00
Gorham School District, reimbursement.....	25.37
Albert P. Knightly, reimbursement.....	7.53
Harris Witham, labor.....	8.40
Henry Holt	4.70
Gorham School District, gymseal.....	32.50
Hillyard Sales Company, gymseal.....	32.50

637.20

HEALTH SUPERVISION:

Wilson Pharmacy, supplies.....\$	2.38
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Marjorie Plaisted, fluorine.....	10.65
Gladys Fancy, nurse.....	143.82

 156.85

TRANSPORTATION:

Donald Hodgdon, bus.....	\$ 1,438.00
Fred Bradford, bus.....	1,200.00
Mary D. Gallant, bus.....	22.00
Mildred Bacon	52.00

 2,712.00

TUITION:

Berlin School District, tuition.....	\$ 2,034.70
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 2,034.70

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL FUNDS:

Dummer Lunch Program, school lunch.....	\$ 383.15
West Dummer Lunch Program, school lunch	355.60
Marsh Program Service, lecture.....	2.50

 741.25

RETIREMENT:

Supervisory Union No. 20, retirement.....	\$ 13.16
N. H. Teachers' Retirement Syst., retirement	348.50

 361.66

INSURANCE, TREASURER'S BONDS and EXP.

Roy G. Hamlin, insurance.....	\$ 91.60
Paul E. Farnum, school board dues.....	10.00

 101.60

NEW EQUIPMENT:

Cascade Paper Company, chairs.....	\$ 201.00
Dummer Methodist Church, piano.....	21.54
A. H. Rice Company, record players.....	100.00

 322.54

 Total Payments for all Purposes..... \$ 14,911.94

Report of Superintendent

To the Superintending School Committee and the Citizens of the
Dummer School District:

FOREWORD

The aims of our schools cannot be separated from those of society, since education is one of the bases on which our society rests. It has been a fundamental principle of American democracy that we should have free public education in this country. Without an enlightened citizenry, our nation would not have grown to its present heights. In New Hampshire we generally agree that schools should provide the best education possible for each child, whatever his ability might be. Since the ability of every child varies, we should provide the best possible education to fit his individual needs. Our schools must make provisions to handle the bright, the dull, the lazy, the industrious, the shy, the bold, the practical and the artistic.

In the short time that I have served as your Superintendent, I would conclude that the schools of Union No. 20 do a good job in teaching the fundamental skills (the three R's). Tests that have been given prove this to be true. We should certainly maintain this good record and, if possible, show some improvement.

There is nothing that will take the place of a firm knowledge of the skills. However, there are some areas in which we should be doing more than we are at the present time. Students need more aid in the area of guidance—academic, vocational and social. More time could be spent profitably in the fields of music, art and speech. Effort should be made to provide a wholesome physical educational program other than merely competitive athletics. These are not educational “frills” as some people would like us to believe, but are ways in which we can hope to accomplish the aims of education. What are these aims? Very briefly, I would list them as follows:

1. Mastery of the basic skills and tools of knowledge—the three R's.
2. Becoming a good citizen.

3. Being able to enjoy physical and mental health and understanding the laws of hygiene.
4. Appreciating art, music and literature.
5. Being able to provide for needs by employment in the professions, industries, the arts and the sciences.
6. Being able to use increased leisure time wisely.
7. Being able to understand the physical aspects of our world—a knowledge of science.
8. Being tolerant of others, regardless of race, creed or color.

These aims mean that we must provide both an academic and realistic atmosphere in our schools. While we cannot neglect the traditional type of education, we must provide practical learning that will fulfill the needs of those students not going on to schools of higher learning.

With an ever-increasing enrollment in our schools and the holding power of the school growing, we have serious problems facing us. They can be solved only through a sincere interested citizenry who are willing to face the problems and attempt to do something about them.

TEACHERS

Mrs. Ruth Croteau, West Dummer School and Mrs. Florence Hamlin, Willis School were the teachers again in our schools last year. The town is fortunate in having two such outstanding and competent teachers.

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE

There were 28 students in the Dummer Schools on December 20, 1955. This is an increase of two over last year.

Again the percentage of attendance was exceptionally high in both Dummer schools. The Willis School had 98.84 per cent attendance and the Dummer Hill School had 97.62, or an average of 98.23. There were no cases of tardiness in either school for the the second consecutive year. Both of these records are ones that the citizens of Dummer can be very proud.

BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT

Both of the schools are in good repair, both having been reconditioned inside within the past few years. New record players were purchased for the schools this last year and these items add greatly to the life of the schools. Other equipment and reference material seem adequate, except for the usual replacements.

TUITION

We have at present time ten pupils attending high school in Berlin and from our enrollment this year we can estimate that there will be nine next year. Berlin tuition rate for 1955-56 is \$300.00 and it is expected to remain that figure for the coming year. There will be some tuition charges because of state wards that came from Dummer under a new law passed by the General Court.

TRANSPORTATION

The West Dummer School pupils are again being transported by Donald Hodgdon, as well as those pupils going to high school. Fred Bradford's contract for the route covering the Willis School expires this spring, but the School Board is of the opinion that it should be renewed for another period of time. Even though only two pupils live beyond the two mile limit, there are many others that live sufficient distance that the school attendance would suffer if there were no transportation facilities.

NOTES ON BUDGET

The School Board's total budget for 1956-57 is \$16,977.79 compared to \$16,303.00 for this year. The added increase results largely from increases given to the teachers and the janitors, as well as putting into the budget money for a handwriting system that Dummer, in conjunction with other towns in the Union, wishes to adopt.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The following is the school calendar adopted by the School Board for 1956-57:

First Term

September 5, Wednesday, School Opens
November 21, Wednesday, School Closes, 12:30 P. M.
November 26, Monday, School Opens
December 19, Wednesday, School Closes, 12:30 P. M.
School Term in Days—74

Second Term

January 2, Wednesday, School Opens
February 15, Friday, School Closes
School Term in Days—33

Third Term

February 25, Monday, School Opens
April 18, Thursday, School Closes
School Term in Days—39

Fourth Term

April 29, Monday, School Opens

June 14, Friday, School Closes

School Term in Days—34

Days Out

November 22, 23—Thanksgiving Recess

April 19—Good Friday

May 30, Thursday—Memorial Day

CONCLUSION

Because this report is being made for the year 1954-55, most of the details happened during the time my predecessor, Mr. Albert P. Knightly, served as your superintendent. I would like to take this opportunity to say that I am fortunate in following a man of his ability and efficiency. His work certainly gives me a solid foundation on which to look forward to the future in Union No. 20.

I would also like to express my appreciation to the members of the School Board, the parents, the teachers, students and friends for their cooperation and help. With the feeling continuing, I am sure that we can maintain our good schools and also hope to improve them.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON R. TATE,

Superintendent of Schools

REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE 1954-55

Teacher and School	Grades	No. of Pupils	No. of Boys	Average Attendance	Average Membership	Percentage of Attendance	Number of Tardinesses
Willis School							
Florence Hamlin	1-8	16	12	14.01	14.17	98.84	0
West Dummer School							
Ruth Croteau	1-8	11	4	8.90	9.10	97.62	0
Totals		27	16	22.91	23.27	98.23	0

ENROLLMENT—December 30, 1955

Willis School	17
West Dummer School.....	11
Total	28

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DUMMER, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex			Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation of Father	Residence of Parents
		Condition	Color					
March.....	Diane Ruth White	f L	w		Robert E. White	Berlin, N. H.	Laborer	Dummer, N. H.
April.....	Lorraine Linnette Croteau	f L	w		Kathleen A. Young	Dummer, N. H.		
August.....	Elaine Lois Hawkins	f L	w		Oniel J. Croteau	Berlin, N. H.	Farmer	Dummer, N. H.
August.....	Rene Roger Hache	m L	w		Eloise H. Howe	Gorham, N. H.		
October.....	Melissa Juanita Glover	f L	w		Earl S. Hawkins	Dummer, N. H.	Laborer	Dummer, N. H.
December.....	Claudia Rae Brown	f L	w		Lois E. Turner	Wentworth Loc.		
					Amedee J. Hache	Berlin, N. H.	Laborer	Dummer, N. H.
					Marguerite M. Sauvageau	Montreal, P. Q.		
					Clayton I. Glover	Dummer, N. H.	Farmer	Dummer, N. H.
					Mary Ellen Aubin	Milan, N. H.		
					Claude C. Brown	Rumford, Me.	Truck Driver	Dummer, N. H.
					Evelyn C. Brown	Ryegate, Vt.		

DELAYED CERTIFICATE ISSUED

November.....	12, 1885	Haven	George Knox	m	w	George B. Knox	Albany, N. H.
						Mary E. Kennison	Bartlett, N. H.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DUMMER, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Place and Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of each	Occupation of each	Birthplace of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married
January 1 Milan, N. H.	David Edgar Foote Phyllis Mabel Hawkins	Dummer, N. H. Dummer, N. H.	21 21	Millworker Clerical Worker	Springfield, Mass. Dummer, N. H.	Oni A. Foote Helen A. Rathbun	Ohio Springfield, Mass.	Curtis W. Smith Methodist Minister Henniker, N. H.
May 12 Littleton, N. H.	Ray Harris Bacon Beverly Mae Hart	Dummer, N. H. Dummer, N. H.	21 18	Laborer Waitress	Dummer, N. H. Berlin, N. H.	Lois E. Young Edgar C. Bacon Mildred E. Silver Forrest R. Hart	Dummer, N. H. W. Stewartstown Pittsburg, N. H. Crystal, N. H.	Walter N. Heald Justice of the Peace Littleton, N. H.
October 22 Berlin, N. H.	Ovila Joseph Brien Dorothy Ann Wheeler	Berlin, N. H. Dummer, N. H.	37 25	Service Man At Home	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Phyllis M. Faulkenha Octave J. Brien Rose A. St. Pierre Frederick F. Wheeler	Stark, N. H. Canada Mass. New Hampshire	Rev. Edwin Milne Catholic Priest Berlin, N. H.
December 31 Dummer, N. H.	Paul Edward Goyette Thelma June Hawkins	Berlin, N. H. Dummer, N. H.	19 19	U. S. Navy Waitress	Berlin, N. H. Dummer, N. H.	Theresa A. Kelley Arthur N. Goyette Lillian C. Burlock Owen R. Hawkins Lois E. Young	New Hampshire Groveton, N. H. Concord, Vt. Dummer, N. H. W. Stewartstown	Rev. Bruce E. Beny Elder of the Church of the Nazarene Milan, N. H.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DUMMER, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex	Condition	Color	Occupation	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents
		Years	Months	Days							
April 4, 1955	Margaret Keezer	90	1	29	New Brunswick, Canada	f	w	w	Housewife	Wilson	
Sept. 19, 1955	Ludger Routhier	76	5	23	St. Pierre de Bromington, Quebec	m	m	w	Barber	Ellen Grant Napoleon Routhier	
Nov. 11, 1955	Grover C. Hanno	70	6	16	Lisbon, N. H.	m	w	w	Cook	Sophie Jaque Richard P. Hanno	
Dec. 8, 1955	Ruth M. Sias	63	10	29	Dummer, N. H.	f	m	w	Housewife	Addie B. Cooleigh Alpha Hawkins	
Dec. 24, 1955	Lilla M. Holt	74	5	24	Prince Edward Island	f	w	w	Housewife	Alice L. Jewett George Rix	
										Annie Adams	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 ROBERT E. GLOVER, Town Clerk.



